#### § 96.27-1

#### Subpart 96.27—Sounding Equipment

#### §96.27-1 When required.

All mechanically propelled vessels of 500 gross tons and over in ocean or coastwise service and all mechanically propelled vessels of 500 gross tons and over in Great Lakes service and certificated for service on the River St. Lawrence eastward of the lower exit of the St. Lambert Lock at Montreal, Canada, must be fitted with an efficient electronic sounding apparatus.

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# Subpart 96.30—Protection From Refrigerants

SOURCE: CGD 86-036, 57 FR 48325, Oct. 23, 1992, unless otherwise noted.

#### §96.30-1 Application.

- (a) This subpart, except §96.30-90, applies to each vessel that is contracted for on or after November 23, 1992, and is equipped with any refrigeration unit using—
- (1) Ammonia to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 20 cubic feet; or
- (2) Fluorocarbons to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 1000 cubic feet.
- (b) Each vessel that is contracted for before November 23, 1992, must satisfy §96.30-90 if it is equipped with any refrigeration unit using—
- (1) Ammonia to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 20 cubic feet; or
- (2) Fluorocarbons to refrigerate any space with a volume of more than 1000 cubic feet.

#### § 96.30-5 General.

- (a) Each self-contained breathing apparatus must be of the pressure-demand, open-circuit type, approved by the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) and by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), and have at a minimum a 30-minute air supply, a full facepiece, and a spare charge.
- (b) All equipment shall be maintained in an operative condition, and it

shall be the responsibility of the master and chief engineer to ascertain that a sufficient number of the crew are familiar with the operation of the equipment.

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## § 96.30-15 Self-contained breathing apparatus.

- (a) Each vessel must have a self-contained breathing apparatus for use as protection against gas leaking from a refrigeration unit.
- (b) The self-contained breathing apparatus required by paragraph (a) of this section may be one of those required by §96.35–10.

### § 96.30-90 Vessels contracted for before November 23, 1992.

Vessels contracted for before November 23, 1992, must meet the following requirements:

- (a) Each vessels must satisfy §§ 96.30–5 through 96.30–15 concerning the number of items and method of stowage of equipment.
- (b) Items of equipment previously approved, but not meeting the applicable specifications set forth in §96.30–5, may continue in service as long as they are maintained in good condition to the satisfaction of the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection; but each item in an installation or a replacement must meet all applicable specifications.
- (c) After November 23, 1994, each respirator must either satisfy §96.30–5(a) or be a self-contained compressed-air breathing apparatus previously approved by MSHA and NIOSH under part 160, subpart 160.011, of this chapter.

### Subpart 96.35—Fireman's Outfit

#### §96.35-1 Application.

This subpart, except §96.35-90, applies to each vessel that is on an international voyage and is contracted for on or after November 23, 1992. Each vessel that is on an international voyage and is contracted for before November 23, 1992, must satisfy §96.35-90.

[CGD 86-036, 57 FR 48325, Oct. 23, 1992]